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Remarks

The specification has been amended to include the appropriate section headings. Applicant regrets the omission of providing such section headings in the previously filed preliminary amendment. Claims 1 through 17 have been canceled and new claims 18 through 24 are submitted herewith which are deemed to more clearly define the claimed invention and distinguish the same over the references of record.

With respect to the drawings, replacement sheets thereof are submitted herewith in which the identification numbers at the top of the sheets of drawings have been removed.

Newly submitted independent claim 1 provides for a module including a housing mountable on a motor vehicle having input means operatively connectable to an electrical circuit of a unit of the vehicle and output means, a fuse disposed in such housing electrically connected to such input means, and an analog/digital converter disposed in such housing electrically interconnecting the fuse and the output means. It is submitted that none of the references of record either discloses or teaches any such module which is disposable in a motor vehicle.

In view of the foregoing, it respectfully is requested that newly submitted claims 18 through 24 be allowed and further that the application be passed to issue.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees filed, asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account 14-1437. Please credit any excess fees to such account

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